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Title: NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING PRO1346 POLYPEPTIDES

Filed: November 19, 2001 Inventors: Avi Ashkenazi et al.

Attorney Docket No. 39780-2730 P1C59

Attached is a Request to Withdraw an Appeal, and to expressly abandon the above-identified application.

Please let me know if you need any further information or assistance in this matter.

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Dear Sir:

On October 20, 2004, the Examiner made a final rejection to pending Claims 119-127, 129-132 and 134-138. A Notice of Appeal was filed on January 20, 2005, and Appellants' Appeal Brief was filed August 17, 2005. An Examiner's Answer was mailed on September 6, 2005, and Appellants' Reply Brief was filed November 4, 2005.

Appellants hereby request that the appeal be withdrawn, and that the above-identified application be expressly withdrawn as of the filing date of this paper.

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